



# Media Advisory

## District of Columbia National Guard



Major General Errol R. Schwartz  
Commanding General

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### **DC Guard holds Change of Command Ceremony hosted by Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army**

**WASHINGTON D.C.** – The Joint Force Headquarters, District of Columbia National Guard, will conduct a Change of Command Ceremony Saturday, July 19, at 10 a.m. at the DC Armory in Washington, DC. During the ceremony, newly appointed Maj. Gen. Errol R. Schwartz, the Commanding General of the DC National Guard, will officially take command from Maj. Gen. David F. Wherley.

Mr. Robert W. Rodriguez, the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, will host this historic event. Mr. Rodriguez assists in the supervision of the manpower, personnel and reserve component affairs for the Department of the Army.

- Date / Time – Saturday, July 19, 10 a.m.
- Location – DC National Guard Armory  
2001 East Capitol Street  
Washington, DC 20003

Maj. Gen. Schwartz was appointed Commanding General by Pres. Bush effective June 11, 2008. He served as the Adjutant General prior to the appointment. Maj. Gen. Wherley is retiring from the post after nearly four decades of uniformed service.

Maj. Gen. Schwartz assumed duties as the adjutant general of the DC Guard and Commander of the DC Army National Guard in 2003. His military career started when he enlisted in the DC Army National Guard in 1976. He was commissioned in June 1979 and appointed a platoon leader in the 104<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Company. He served in many leadership positions as a staff officer and commander.

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